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ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

DECEMBER 6, 2004 9:00 A.M.

ROOM 159

AGENDA

Call to Order--Roll Call. (All Council Members were present - Mr. Wishneff arrived late.)

A communication from Mayor C. Nelson Harris requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council; and to interview applicants for vacancies on the City Planning Commission, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

Approved (6-0 - Council Member Wishneff was not present when the vote was recorded.) File #110-132

Items listed on the 2:00 p.m. Council docket requiring discussion/clarification, and additions/deletions to the 2:00 p.m. agenda. (15 minutes)

Topics for discussion by the Mayor and Members of Council. (15 minutes)

Briefings:

• Storm Water Utility Feasibility Study – 20 minutes

• C2C Housing Update – 20 minutes

Traffic Calming Update
 20 minutes

• Accreditation Efforts for 911 Center – 10 minutes

• Zoning Update - 15 minutes

A MEETING OF COUNCIL AND THE ROANOKE CITY SCHOOL BOARD WITH THE CITY'S REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WAS HELD AT 12:00 P.M., IN ROOM 159.





ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL ROANOKE CITY SCHOOL BOARD MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2004

12:00 NOON

ROOM 159

AGENDA

1. Call to Order:

School Board

Roll Call:

School Board

3. Welcome and Opening Remarks:

Mayor Harris Chairperson Stockburger

- 4. Presentation of the City/School 2005 Legislative Program.
- 5. Remarks by Council Members, School Trustees, Staff.
- 6. Remarks by Senator Edwards, Delegate Fralin and Delegate Ware.

THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS TO BE RECONVENED AT 2:00 P.M., IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, FOURTH FLOOR, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.



ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

DECEMBER 6, 2004 2:00 P.M.

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER AGENDA

1. Call to Order--Roll Call. (All Council Members were present.)

The Invocation was delivered by Council Member Sherman P. Lea.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor C. Nelson Harris.

Welcome. Mayor Harris.

NOTICE:

Today's Council meeting will be replayed on Channel 3 on Thursday, December 9, 2004, at 7:00 p.m., and Saturday, December 11, 2004, at 4:00 p.m. Council meetings are offered with closed captioning for the hearing impaired.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

THE PUBLIC IS ADVISED THAT MEMBERS OF COUNCIL RECEIVE THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA AND RELATED COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, ETC., ON THE THURSDAY PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR REVIEW OF INFORMATION. CITIZENS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN OBTAINING A COPY OF ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA MAY CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 456, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., OR CALL 853–2541.

THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE PROVIDES THE MAJORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ON THE INTERNET FOR VIEWING AND RESEARCH PURPOSES. TO ACCESS AGENDA MATERIAL, GO TO THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT WWW.ROANOKEVA.GOV, CLICK ON THE ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL ICON, CLICK ON MEETINGS AND AGENDAS, AND DOWNLOAD THE ADOBE ACROBAT SOFTWARE TO ACCESS THE AGENDA.

ALL PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ARE REQUESTED TO REGISTER WITH THE STAFF ASSISTANT WHO IS LOCATED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. ON THE SAME AGENDA ITEM, ONE TO FOUR SPEAKERS WILL BE ALLOTTED FIVE MINUTES EACH, HOWEVER, IF THERE ARE MORE THAN FOUR SPEAKERS, EACH SPEAKER WILL BE ALLOTTED THREE MINUTES.

ANY PERSON WHO IS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A CITY COUNCIL APPOINTED AUTHORITY, BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 853–2541, OR ACCESS THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT www.roanokeva.gov, TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION.

2. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

A resolution memorializing the late Hugh Ennis, Jr.

Adopted Resolution No. 36902-120604. (7-0) File #367

A resolution naming Claudia Alexander Whitworth as Roanoke's Citizen of the Year for the year 2004.

Adopted Resolution No. 36903-120604. (7-0) File #80-496

Shining Star Awards were presented to Shamica Steelman and Charles and Sarah Lex. File #80

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Approved (7–0)

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

C-1 Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on Monday, October 18, 2004.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve as recorded.

C-2 A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council schedule a public hearing for Monday, December 20, 2004, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, to extend the current lease with the United States General Services Administration for office space within the Commonwealth Building.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concur in the request. File #373-524

C-3 Qualification of Earnestine Garrison as a member of the Youth Services Citizen Board, for a term ending May 31, 2006.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file. File #15-110-304

REGULAR AGENDA

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

a. Encroachment of an awning eight feet above the sidewalk and 39 inches into the public right-of-way at 105 Wall Street, S. E. Darlene L. Burcham, City Manager.

Adopted Ordinance No. 36904-120604. (7-0) File #28-169

b. Approval of the issuance of general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$1,600,000.00 for financing a portion of the cost to rehabilitate, repair or equip Fallon Park Elementary School. George J. A. Clemo, Attorney.

No action was taken. File #53-467

5. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS: NONE.

6. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

a. CITY MANAGER:

PRESENTATION:

Police Officer Retention

5 minutes

The Honorable George M. McMillan, Sheriff, submitted a communication requesting that deputy sheriffs be included in the new classification program, effective January 1, 2005; however, if sworn deputy sheriffs are

not included in the initiative, as of January 1, 2005, he proposed that Council implement the same reclassification of deputy sheriffs and provide the same pay increase for current deputy sheriffs, effective July 1, 2005.

The request was referred to the City Manager and to fiscal year 2005-2006 budget study. File #5-60-121

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

1. Amendment of the Fee Compendium to establish a fee for outdoor dining permits for calendar year 2005.

Adopted Ordinance No. 36905-120604. (7-0) File #289

2. Appropriation of \$50,000.00 for tuition assistance for Fire-EMS personnel to enhance academic opportunities through Virginia Western Community College.

Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36906-120604. (7-0) File #60-70-467

b. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. Appropriation of 2004B general obligation public improvement bond funds.

Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36907-120604. (6-1 - Mr. Wishneff voted no.) File #53-60

2. Financial report for the month of October, 2004.

Received and filed. File #10

- 7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES: NONE.
- 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.
- 9. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: NONE.

10. MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

a. Inquiries and/or comments by the Mayor and Members of City Council.

Council Member Lea advised that he represented the City of Roanoke at the National League of Cities on November 30 – December 4, 2004, in Indianapolis, Indiana, at which time he accepted the Center for Digital Government Award recognizing the City of Roanoke as fifth place winner in the 75,000 – 125,000 population category. File #132–228

Council Member Wishneff congratulated the Virginia Tech football team, winners of the ACC title on Saturday, December 4, 2004, and wished them success as they compete against No. 3 rated Auburn in the Sugar Bowl on January 3, at the New Orleans Superdome. The City Attorney was requested to prepare the proper measure congratulating Virginia Tech for consideration by Council at its regular meeting on Monday, December 20, 2004.

File #80-132-258

Vice-Mayor Fitzpatrick advised that approximately 32 per cent of college students who are natives of the Commonwealth of Virginia attend college within a 50 mile radius of the City of Roanoke, and suggested that the City Manager submit a recommendation(s) on a concept(s) to acknowledge those colleges and universities.

File #80-132-467

Council Member Cutler advised that he represented the City of Roanoke at a meeting of the Virginia Sustainable Building Network on Friday, December 3, 2004, and encouraged the City to join the organization to ensure that future new buildings will adopt new energy, conservation and recyclable material guidelines.

File #132-251

Council Member Dowe congratulated the Roanoke Branch, NAACP on the successful Freedom Fund Banquet which was held on Friday, December 3, 2004, and the diversity of those persons in attendance. The Mayor advised that Roanoke's public safety departments: Police Department, Sheriff's Department and Fire Department were recognized and commended by the NAACP at the banquet. File#5-70-80-121

b. Vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council.

11. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:

CITY COUNCIL SETS THIS TIME AS A PRIORITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD. MATTERS REQUIRING REFERRAL TO THE CITY MANAGER WILL BE REFERRED IMMEDIATELY FOR RESPONSE, RECOMMENDATION OR REPORT TO COUNCIL.

12. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:

The City Manager recognized the Jefferson College of Health Sciences, a four year college which is located in the City of Roanoke.

File #467

The City Manager presented each member of Council with a copy of the Municipal Calendar which will be mailed to each City

household and advised that the City's Quarterly Citizen Magazine will be mailed to each City residence in January, 2005. File #80

The Council meeting was declared in recess to be reconvened in Room 159 for a traffic calming update by City staff.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION. (4-0 - Mayor Harris and Council Members Dowe and Lea were not present when the vote was recorded.)